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INDIANA MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO INTERSTATE SALE OF STOLEN GOODS

—Over \$400,000 loss

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **WILLIAM WESTERFIELD**, age 51, of 505 Miles Ridge, Madison, Indiana, pled guilty to stealing aluminum containers from a Louisville business and transporting and selling them across state lines.

The Information alleges that between February 1, 2001, and October 31, 2003, **Westerfield** was Director of Parker Commercial Storage & Distribution, a Louisville company that loaded, unloaded, stored, cleaned, and repaired aluminum shipping containers used to ship rubber products. Over a 33 month period **Westerfield** stole thousands of shipping containers by loading them onto trucks after business hours and shipping them across state lines to Indiana, where they were sold for scrap, resulting in a loss of over \$415,000.

The maximum potential penalties are 10 years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of 3 years.

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The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Weiser and was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Westerfield is scheduled to appear for sentencing before United States District Court Judge John G. Heyburn II on January 26, 2007, at 1:30 p.m., in Louisville, Kentucky.

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